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- 18) [139929] Thanks for vertical help...
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20) [139931] NYE SSK-1-K
by "T.J. \"SKIP\" Arey" <tjarey@tjarey.com>
21) [139932] Re: Screws
by Bob Liesenfeld <wb0poq@visi.com>
22) [139933] Re: Soldering stations
by Bob Nielsen <nielsen@oz.net>
23) [139934] Re: OT (OT)
by "Tim, N9PUZ" <n9puz@arrl.net>
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32) [139943] ATU's and field antennas--matching
by ARDUJENSKI@aol.com
33) [139944] Re: CW Practice Ideas
by "Paul Mills" <quahog@localnet.com>
34) [139945] Re: Can anyone help identifiy this rcvr?
by George Gingell <k3tks@u1.abs.net>
35) [139946] Need schematic for TenTec 1056
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36) [139947] Re: grouchy? you aint seen nothin
by Rob Matherly <w0jrm@arrl.net>
37) [139948] October 2002 QRP Quarterly [QQ]
by George Gingell <k3tks@u1.abs.net>
38) [139949] WANTED:HEATHKIT HW8 PUSH-BUTTON BAND SWITCH ASSEMBLY...
by "Andy GM0NWI" <gm0nwiqrp@btopenworld.com>
39) [139950] Re: It really frosts me....
by "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>
40) [139951] Re: Soldering stations
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41) [139952] Re: CW Practice Ideas
by Fghester@aol.com
42) [139953] RE: FT-817 Bug
by "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>
43) [139954] QSLMaker Frequently Asked Questions

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44) [139955] Re: It really frosts me....
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by "Jason Hissong" <jhisson1@columbus.rr.com>
47) [139958] Re: PDA Logging advice needed
by Bruce Grubbs <mail@brucegrubbs.com>
48) [139959] Re: CW Practice Ideas
by "brian" <brian@iquest.net>
49) [139960] From AF2Q
by IamSF5@aol.com
50) [139961] Re: CW Practice Ideas
by "Ray Goff" <radioham@gmx.co.uk>
51) [139962] RS GPS
by <jfox6@houston.rr.com>
52) [139963] Is Learning Slow Always Bad? (Was Re: CW Practice Ideas)
by Dave Millican <ag4pj@yahoo.com>
53) [139964] Re: CW Practice Ideas
by "brian" <brian@iquest.net>
54) [139965] RE: Is Learning Slow Always Bad? (Was Re: CW Practice Ideas)
by "KD5NWA" <KD5NWA@mbayona.com>
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by "Ray Goff" <radioham@gmx.co.uk>
56) [139967] Re: It really frosts me....
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by Haines Brown <brownh@hartford-hwp.com>
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by "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>
63) [139974] Re: From AF2Q
by "Jim" <ku4qw@yahoo.com>
64) [139975] RE: It really frosts me....
by Mark Schoonover <schoon@amgt.com>
65) [139976] Battery monitor- sold out!
by Steven Weber <kd1jv@moose.ncia.net>
66) [139977] Re: RS GPS
by "Dave Ek" <ekdave@earthlink.net>
67) [139978] Re: It really frosts me....

by "brian" <brian@iquest.net>
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70) [139981] Re: Soldering stations
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71) [139982] RE: [139682] Code Speed & Contests...
by Brian Kassel <K7RE@arrl.net>
72) [139983] RE: It really frosts me....
by Mark Schoonover <schoon@amgt.com>
73) [139984] Help, please OHR 100 A
by Elda & Doug Wilson <ewilson@nccn.net>
74) [139985] Stolen pictures
by "Walter Amos" <waltk8cvamosqrp@earthlink.net>
75) [139986] Re: ATU's and field antennas--matching
by ARDUJENSKI@aol.com
76) [139987] Re: It really frosts me.... but it should not
by "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>
77) [139988] Re: FT100 VFO KNOB
by "Walter Amos" <waltk8cvamosqrp@earthlink.net>
78) [139989] Re: It really frosts me....
by Larry Cahoon <lejek@erols.com>
79) [139990] Re: SW30+ Question
by "Bill, N4QA" <n4qa@hotmail.com>
80) [139991] December QST
by W2AGN <w2agn@w2agn.net>
81) [139992] Re: Stolen pictures
by "Richard Brummer, K2JQ" <k2jq@rcn.com>
82) [139993] YAESU, TRIO, KENWOOD, ICOM INFO SHEETS.....CIRCA 1980's early 90's
by "Andy GM0NWI" <gm0nwiqrp@btopenworld.com>
83) [139994] Re: Soldering stations
by Bob Nielsen <nielsen@oz.net>
84) [139995] QRP Quarterly
by Bill ROWLETT <kc4atu@yahoo.com>
85) [139996] Anudder Beeper
by Rob Matherly <w0jrm@arrl.net>
86) [139997] Re: December QST
by Paul Womble <pwomble1@tampabay.rr.com>
87) [139998] Re: SS Sections-NWT??
by Michael Babineau <michael.babineau@sympatico.ca>
88) [139999] Re: Is Learning Slow Always Bad? (Was Re: CW Practice Ideas)
by "Larry Makoski" <Makos327@worldnet.att.net>

Date: Mon, 11 Nov 2002 18:02:20 -0600
From: "Stuart Rohre" <rohre@arlut.utexas.edu>

To: <kelman@sofnet.com>, <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139912] ladder line on roof
Message-ID: <003801c289de\$c5408480\$4e100a0a@rohredt2000>

It will unbalance it to the effect of the capacitance of the roof material vs. the dielectric properties of air on the other face of it.

It also depends on what is under the roof and shingles. Could be minor, or it could be an issue.

Just go to radio shack and get their TV standoff insulators to screw into the roof edge and bring the line down that way standing off the roof 5 inches or so, and it will be much better on the balance.
72, Stuart K5KVH

Date: Mon, 11 Nov 2002 19:11:25 -0500 (EST)
From: George Gingell <k3tks@u1.abs.net>
To: QRP List <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139913] CW Practice Ideas
Message-ID: <20021111180220.I29122-100000@u1.abs.net>
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Jason, and others interested in improving you code copying abilities.

There are several very good methods that I have found useful over the years. I might add that I have re-learned it several times over the past 40 years. I believe that I may have tried just about every method, most at least. I found that it is a language of sounds not symbols, although I can copy via light if slow enough. Way back when I got back into this hobby, about '78 I think, I had a conversation with my Family Physician, who just happened to also be a Ham Radio Operator. He was an avid CW Op and had a Deluxe Collins S-Line Setup in his office. I asked him how he got so good at CW. He responded with the idea of practicing the sounds whenever alone

and with free time. One very good method he suggested was to actually try to make the sound of a code oscillator with your voice and "Read Street Signs" to yourself in code as you traveled to and from work each day. Not recommended for the carpool set, unless all happen to be budding hams :^}

I gave it a try, and before you know it I was pretty good at 15-20 WPM. It seems that you get that Audio Feedback to the Brain as you make the sounds. This makes it more familiar to you, so it is easier when you go to copy.

I also have a couple of recommendations for things NOT TO DO, when Learning The Code. First, Avoid with the plague any written code charts, dots, dashes, dits and dahs. CW is an AUDIBLE LANGUAGE! It is made up of Sounds that you can hear. (O.K. some times via Light flashes, flag waves, etc) but the method of interest to us is the SOUND.

I also used the American Radio Relay League Code Practice Sessions. It is a good idea to get practice from known sources of accurately sent code. Although, actual use on the air can be good, you should avoid that in the beginning until you have reached at least 20 + WPM. I also recommend AGAINST USING W1AW Code Practice, On the Sessions where they start at Slow Speed and increase in speed in steps thru the session. This has a tendency to make you feel bad about you abilities and discourages many into thinking that they are not making any progress. I DO HIGHLY Recommend W1AW for Practice on those sessions that Start out Fast and gradually slow down. These sessions help you to recognise the sounds of the higher speed

characters, and also you will more readily see that you are making progress.

I always stayed for the ARRL Bulletin Message that follows the Code Practice Sessions, you will be surprised in how soon you will have 100% copy on the 18 WPM Bulletins. Another Do/Don't item for the list. In the beginning, concentrate only on copying the code, do not try to learn to send until you have mastered the receiving. Even the FCC tested for Receiving before Sending. I also highly recommend a CW Keyboard or Computer Program for Sending in the beginning. Learning to use a key and paddles/keyers is a whole separate learning experience from learning the code. I might add that there many very good tools for code practice in these modern times. One that I highly Recommend, is available FREE from Ray Goff, G4FON <<http://www.qsl.net/g4fon>>. Chuck Adams, K7QO also has a lot of excellent material on his web site for Code Practice and Contest Preperation. I believe Chuck has some Linux software that will convert ASCII Text Files into Audio Files for making CW CD's and Audio Tape Files.

There is also a good program for practicing CALLSIGNS in preperation for Contesting Events. CW Contesting is excellent for improving your code speed, once you reach that 20 + WPM Plateau.

Speaking of the Plateau, there are or can be several Plateau's in your upward progress in the world of CW. The number is up to YOU. If you set your goals LOW, you will have Stops at 5-13-20-etc. If you learn 25-30 WPM Characters form the beginning, you will save yourself a lot of time and effort. Why is that?, It is largely because you learn to hear the SOUNDS

at a particular speed and pitch, then when you increase the speed all is lost. On the other hand, if you learn to recognise the code characters at say 30 WPM, it becomes a Reflex action, also there is the fact that your brain is much like a computer, in that it can easily DO NOTHING for an interval of time, but you just can't seem to alter the clock speed.

I am convinced that I have a 35 WPM Clock. :^} I can however, recall when I was sure that I had a 13 WPM Model. :^} Some are fortunate to be able to run along at 60 + (Guess I'll have to wait until after the Mods come out for my model :^}

I had not intended to make this so long, and I am sure that many have heard it before, but I will be pleased if just one of you is helped by not having to miss out on all of the fun of operating CW just because there was NO ONE near you willing to help you learn it.

Don't take my word for it, Check it out for yourself. Ask the Experts like Ray, Chuck, and many others on this list who are also Contesters as well as QRPers.

Make a Tape and Play it in the Car on the way to and from work. Buy one of those handy little MFJ Code Machines. I keep mine in the car at all times. Good company on trips or when stuck in traffic on the beltway.

72, 73, Dit Dit, etc.

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Sir George, The First :^}

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From: "carl seyresdahl" <carlseye@tampabay.rr.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139914] Transformers
Message-ID: <004501c289e1\$f756c120\$17ae2341@tampabay.rr.com>
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charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I'm trying to duplicate a transmission line transformer and need some
"scotch no. 92 tape". Can anyone point me in the right direction . ???
thanks !!!
carl / kz5ca

Date: Mon, 11 Nov 2002 18:15:26 -0600
From: "Stuart Rohre" <rohre@arlut.utexas.edu>
To: "James R. Duffey" <jamesd1@flash.net>, <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>

Subject: [139915] An opinion why TT chose the Argonaut V design
Message-ID: <004001c289e0\$99f40160\$4e100a0a@rohredt2000>

Jim,

I know a number of us Ten Tec owners posted to Ten Tec, a lot of comments of the line of how a new model replacing the TT Scout should be designed. I think, in fact there were more comments to the TT reflector on those Scout design improvement/replacement, than on the need for a low power K2 competitor. In fact, the K2 was already out, when Ten Tec started the Argo V project. I think marketing made a decision to take a differing path, thus the 20 watt and heavy DSP features, of something clearly intended to follow the Scout fixed station and mobile applications.

As a Scout owner, and of some even older Ten Tec radios, (505 etc.) The Argonaut V is the logical progression strictly looking at the Ten Tec line. Manufacturers often pick out a niche and stick to it, such as MFJ has done with ham accessories, and single band radios.

You should have seen the controversy on the Ten Tec list about their choice of black for their new radio cabinets over " traditional" Ten Tec colors!

73,

Stuart K5KVH

Date: Mon, 11 Nov 2002 18:21:50 -0600
From: "George, W5YR" <w5yr@att.net>
To: mooney@cytanet.com.cy
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139916] Re: OT (OT)
Message-ID: <3DD0499E.FA3DB5F9@att.net>
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Date: Mon, 11 Nov 2002 19:35:52 -0500
From: "Bill, N4QA" <n4qa@hotmail.com>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [139917] Re: SW30 Question
Message-ID: <F106ZG6IFTirpI7vaZR00003a57@hotmail.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; format=flowed

Hey, Bill.
If it's the same as in the DSW-30 final, the transformer has 10 turns in the
primary and 3 turns in the secondary.
FT37-43 toroid.

73.
Bill, N4QA
<http://www.qsl.net/n4qa/>

The new MSN 8: smart spam protection and 2 months FREE*
<http://join.msn.com/?page=features/junkmail>

Date: Mon, 11 Nov 2002 16:53:05 -0800
From: "Denny AD6EZ" <ad6ez@cox.net>
To: "2. CW List 2." <cw@mailman.qth.net>,
 "2. Fists List 2." <fists@mailman.qth.net>,
Subject: [139918] O.T.: Ham Humor Request
Message-ID: <000001c289e5\$dc9280a0\$6401a8c0@sd.cox.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0

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Hi All -

Two years ago I volunteered to be one of three editors for our Radio club's monthly newsletter. It is a pretty good publication but rather "dry" at times. So I was wondering if those of you that receive and enjoy a good Ham related joke or short story from time to time wouldn't mind forwarding them to me. If it is not copyright protected and if appropriate, I would like to include a joke or two in each of our monthly newsletter. I would also, at your request, include your name and call sign as contributor.

Date: Mon, 11 Nov 2002 19:58:34 -0500
From: Fred Lesnick <flesnick@tbaytel.net>
To: QRPL <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>, QRP Canada <qrp-canada@neale.gpfn.sk.ca>,
"cw@qth.net" <cw@qth.net>
Subject: [139919] FISTS members
Message-ID: <3DD0523A.5EA0EF48@tbaytel.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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Any FISTS members working on the award for this year, and need Canada, I am operating on 7.058 running 5 watts from my FT817....will be on frequency for another few hours.....

Fred
VE3FAL
FISTS
2337

Date: Mon, 11 Nov 2002 17:02:14 -0700
From: "Jess Gypin" <jessmx5@earthlink.net>
To: <w5yr@att.net>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139920] Re: OT (OT)
Message-ID: <009a01c289de\$c33d1360\$41365742@jgypin>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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His email was probably the best laugh that I have had all week. Well done sir! I echo your tounge in cheek posturing.

Jess

----- Original Message -----

From: "George, W5YR" <w5yr@att.net>

To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>

Sent: Monday, November 11, 2002 17:21 PM

Subject: Re: OT (OT)

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Date: Mon, 11 Nov 2002 17:16:00 -0800

From: Jeff Grudin <grudin@vdb.com>

To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu

Subject: [139921] Sidekick Receiver is a real Kick!

Message-ID: <000101c289e9\$11096990\$889aae40@grudin>

MIME-version: 1.0

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Guys,

I just completed the Sidekick receiver. It was really a fun project. It was challenging yet not too challenging. The best part is when I powered it up and caught the first signals out of the ether.

If you have never built anything Manhattan style, this is a blast. I completed it in about 6 hours.

I have built a lot of kits where you just drop parts in holes and solder. These are fun, but I never really got the total feeling that I built it from scratch. While this is a kit, it is really just a bag of parts, some PC board material, and instructions. You have to make and layout the pads on the board and place the parts. It really gives you the feeling of building from scratch. When you are done, it is a real thing of beauty and there is no question that you built it from scratch. You will really amaze those old farts at the local club whose idea of building a new radio is whipping out the Mastercard at HRO.

I know you're thinking, "Who needs another 40M receiver?" Well I don't, but I am going to find a box with a clear top, leave it on my shack desk, and show it off to all who enter. Hell, I might even keep staring at it myself for a while.

I think there might be some kits left, and they are inexpensive (\$34ppd). I got mine at Pacificon, but I you can get them from W5JAY at:

<http://www.cox-internet.com/w5jay/kits/kits.htm>

Check it out.

73 de AC6KW <<mailto:jeff@grudin.net>>
Jeff Grudin, DVM Web Add: <http://www.grudin.net>

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Date: Mon, 11 Nov 2002 20:16:09 -0500
From: "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139922] Soldering stations
Message-ID: <00b901c289e9\$21b090c0\$0300a8c0@charter.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I was just looking at a writeup on soldering stations and I have a question...

The WES50... That's a power control station, as opposed to a temperature control station, right?

Mike

Date: Mon, 11 Nov 2002 20:24:32 -0500 (EST)
From: Chris Cartwright <ccart@phideaux.com>
To: "Scott Rosenfeld [N7JI]" <ham@w3eax.umd.edu>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139923] Re: Needed - schematic for Radio Shack DX-394?
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.33.0211112019300.22223-100000@dns.phideaux.com.>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

On Mon, 11 Nov 2002, Scott Rosenfeld [N7JI] wrote:

> I got to messing with my DX-394 (at one point I was planning on selling

I have the service manual for the DX-390, and I even know where it is :)
Close enough? I'm not sure what the 394 is, but I can copy the schematic if you think it'll help.

BTW, just finishing up N3BYY's DSW-40. This was a broken proto-type that Preston Douglas gave to Scott in '99 and I said I'd fix it. It turned up again while digging, and should be on it's way to him next week. He's looking for a decent paddle for under \$100, (not a bencher) you got

anything? He's been on the air some with an HW-9 and AT-11 I lent him last year. But this DSW is perfect for him.

cya es 72

-- Chris Cartwright, Unix Administrator | ccart@phideaux.com --
-- N3XRV ARRL-VE Norcal Zombie #163 | Oxford, PA 19363 FM29as --
-- MDmW #5 NJ-QRP #105 QRP-L #655 NORCAL #1891 FISTS #5028 QRP-ARCI #9271 --

Date: Mon, 11 Nov 2002 20:41:38 -0500
From: "Bill, N4QA" <n4qa@hotmail.com>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [139924] Alas, my first DSW-40 is 'stock' no more...
Message-ID: <F20MzfoV1qdiixjnzi900000005f@hotmail.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; format=flowed

It's been over 2 1/2 years since I built my first DSW...the DSW-40. Well, I finally broke down and am now modifying the rig's front and rear panels for much more convenient use of DSWTUN95. Now have a C&K 4PDT (on-off-on...Digi-Key p/n CKN1137-ND) miniature toggle switch on the front panel for switching between 'normal encoder' tuning and tuning by PC. And, when the parts arrive this Thursday or Friday, I'll be adding a 5-conductor mini-din receptacle(Digi-Key p/n CP-2550-ND) to the rear panel so's I can button 'er all up again. The mating mini-din plug is Digi-Key p/n CP-2050-ND, BTW.

For my first experiments with DSWTUN03 this winter, I'll employ my seldom-used DSW-30...just in case something goes awry. Will probably use a C&K 3PDT(on-off-on...Digi-Key p/n CKN1135-ND) mini-toggle switch and *maybe* some buffering/isolation, for the DDS' sake...for switching between 'local' and 'remote'(PC) control. Similar mini-din plug & receptacle combo as for DSWTUN95. Just for the record, my top 2 reasons for ordering parts from Digi-Key(to each, his own):
1) My Dad, W4MAI, introduced Digi-Key to me, years ago.
2) Digi-Key delivers...quickly.

73.
Bill, N4QA
<http://www.qsl.net/n4qa/>

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<http://join.msn.com/?page=features/junkmail>

Date: Mon, 11 Nov 2002 20:50:02 -0500 (EST)
From: Chris Cartwright <ccart@phideaux.com>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139925] Re: Needed - schematic for Radio Shack DX-394?
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.33.0211112049110.22223-100000@dns.phideaux.com.>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

On Mon, 11 Nov 2002, Chris Cartwright wrote:

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Dangnab reply all! Sorry about that folks...

-- Chris Cartwright, Unix Administrator | ccart@phideaux.com --
-- N3XRV ARRL-VE Norcal Zombie #163 | Oxford, PA 19363 FM29as --
-- MDmW #5 NJ-QRP #105 QRP-L #655 NORCAL #1891 FISTS #5028 QRP-ARCI #9271 --

Date: Mon, 11 Nov 2002 20:48:41 -0500
From: David J Adams <david@theadamsclan.com>
To: n9uxu@yahoo.com
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139926] The Great Junkbox Trade
Message-ID: <3DD05DF9.4020704@theadamsclan.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii; format=flowed
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Greetings! I'm in need of a 10-turn 100k pot (tuning pot for a wm-20 kit), and before I order from digi-key or mouser, thought I'd see if anyone needs some of my misc stuff. I have a lifetime supply of Bournes 10-turn 10k pots, anyone want to trade? Toss in a 2.5mm and 3.5mm stereo jacks (thereby saving me a trip to radio shack), and I'll toss in another 10k pot, a few 5k 10-turn pots, and various other new

miscellaneous stuff.

73 de dave, n9uxu

Date: Mon, 11 Nov 2002 21:25:49 -0500
From: "Fran Flynn" <fflynn@adelphia.net>
To: <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139927] RE: FT-817 Bug
Message-ID: <000901c289f2\$d1538d80\$9800a8c0@cel300>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Just to add some fuel to the fire.

It is possible that some changes were made to correct problems during the manufacturing of this radio? Is the "problem" radio that Karl has a lower serial number by any chance? Maybe some have the battery discharge problem and some don't. I know, I'm beating a dead horse, right?

Just a thought.

73, Fran Km1z

Date: Mon, 11 Nov 2002 21:22:03 -0500
From: "John J. McDonough" <wb8rcr@arrl.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139928] It really frosts me....
Message-ID: <003301c289f2\$5a88c940\$010044c0@chartermi.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="Windows-1252"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Last night I was grazing the QRP rigs on eBay (I keep thinking I'm gonna snag a HW-9), and I ran across a picture from my web site. Now, I found it

pretty annoying that someone would steal my work, but even more annoying that it was a dealer.

The heck of it is, if he had asked, I would have gladly given him permission to use is, probably even had one better for his purposes than the one he stole. But for him to just take it without permission really gets the old blood pressure up.

Guys, if you need a picture for eBay, or for your web site, and you see just the right thing on a fellow ham's web site, ASK. I'm sure 99% of the folks would be happy to give you permission to use their images. But don't just steal them. Some people treat those images as their artistic property, and you could get yourself into a pile of legal trouble.

But if you ask, I bet you'll hardly ever get turned down.

72/73 de WB8RCR <http://www.qsl.net/wb8rcr>
didileydadidah QRP-L #1446 Code Warriors #35

Date: Mon, 11 Nov 2002 21:29:53 -0500
From: "Jason Hissong" <jhisson1@columbus.rr.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139929] Thanks for vertical help...
Message-ID: <01c801c289f3\$c9ba8e60\$6e01a8c0@procyon>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi guys,

Thanks for the recommendations that you gave me on the vertical radials. They helped alot!! I committed a bunch of sins using ring terminals and galvanized bolts. This is temporary as I will probably pickup the radial ring by Comtek systems. My impatience got the best of me!! I installed the vertical with only 31 radials (it was getting dark) and decided to try it out. 9L1AB was on 40 so I figure that would be a good one to try. Doing A/B tests with my inverted V DXLB+ dipole at 35', he was in the noise on the dipole. On the vertical he was S3-S5. Other DX stations had similar results. Closer in (non stateside) had about an S unit better on the vertical. Stateside was about the same on both with the vertical sometime doing better or worse, but only by an S unit.

Looks like the radials are working :) Wonder how this will do with the full 68 radials down!

Thanks again guys for the help,

73

Jason Hissong

N8XE

Date: Mon, 11 Nov 2002 21:57:13 -0500
From: Paul Valko <w8kc@comcast.net>
To: wb8rcr@arrl.net,
Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139930] Re: It really frosts me....
Message-ID: <000f01c289f7\$3409cc60\$6501a8c0@hamshack>
MIME-version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=Windows-1252
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT

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> snag a HW-9), and I ran across a picture from my web site. Now, I found
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> pretty annoying that someone would steal my work, but even more annoying
> that it was a dealer.

I have a low opinion of eBay, and I say so on my website, yet folks
constantly cut and paste the text from the Virtual Ten*Tec museum to their
eBay ads. Amazing.

Most of the pictures have a w8kc watermark on them, so I don't think anyone
has stole a picture and tried to pass it of as their rig.

73! =paul= W8KC
Collector of Ten*Tecs and other fine plastics.
Visit the Virtual Ten*Tec Museum at
<http://mywebpages.comcast.net/w8kc/tentec.html>

Date: Mon, 11 Nov 2002 21:56:49 -0500
From: "T.J. \"SKIP\" Arey" <tjarey@tjarey.com>
To: qrp-l <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139931] NYE SSK-1-K
Message-ID: <3DD06DF1.3010103@tjarey.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii; format=flowed

Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I am looking for a manual for the NYE SSK-1-K Keyer. Anybody have one the can photocopy???

Date: Mon, 11 Nov 2002 21:01:18 -0600
From: Bob Liesenfeld <wb0poq@visi.com>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139932] Re: Screws
Message-ID: <3DD06EFE.EA967480@visi.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Thanks to all that responded to my request for info on the screws used to mount the plastic variable caps. Looks like 2.5mm is the consensus.

Thanks!

Bob WB0POQ

Date: Mon, 11 Nov 2002 20:00:48 -0800
From: Bob Nielsen <nielsen@oz.net>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139933] Re: Soldering stations
Message-ID: <20021112040048.GB15798@bob.n7xy.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Disposition: inline

No, the WES50 is temperature controlled. It has a pot in the control unit, however, instead of a thermostat in the tip. I believe Weller does make a power control station, but don't recall the model number (it's a bit cheaper).

Bob

On Mon, Nov 11, 2002 at 08:16:09PM -0500, Mike Yetsko wrote:
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> question...
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> temperature control station, right?
>
> Mike
>

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Bob Nielsen, N7XY
Bainbridge Island, WA
IOTA NA-065, USI WA-028S

n7xy@n7xy.net

Date: Mon, 11 Nov 2002 22:34:57 -0600
From: "Tim, N9PUZ" <n9puz@arrl.net>
To: <mooney@cytanet.com.cy>,
Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139934] Re: OT (OT)
Message-ID: <200211120534.XAA03867@gallium.eosinc.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: quoted-printable

On Tue, 12 Nov 2002 00:29:26 +0000, Paul Mooney wrote:
>I =A0do not have a K2, use Linux (but subscribe to several Linux=
lists
>where I post any Linux-based queries/comments), and am not
>interested in people's personal views of each other (unless it
>directly involves me) nor fox-hunting.
>
>However, I am interested in low-power radio, esp.homebrewing.=
Could
>anybody suggest a suitable list?

Those topics occasionally come up here but it's sort of like QRP=
operation itself. There are times when all you get is QRM, QRN,=
or a bunch of inconsiderate Lids ruining everyone's fun. You can=
use your email program's filtering capability to mimic the=
results obtained with "noise blanking", "IF Shift", and "DSP=
filters". QSY'ing doesn't help, these same problems effect all=
the bands, er I mean lists, to one degree or another.

Tim, N9PUZ
<http://www.qsl.net/n9puz>

Date: Mon, 11 Nov 2002 23:19:43 -0500 (EST)
From: Thom LaCosta <baltimoremd@baltimoremd.com>
To: "John J. McDonough" <wb8rcr@arrl.net>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139935] Re: It really frosts me....
Message-ID: <20021111231704.076406-1000000@unix1.vhost.min.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

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The true slime buckets won't even bother to steal your image...they will
just link to it...that way not only do they get your image, they steal
your bandwidth.

You could watermark them, you might complain to Ebay, or if you REALLY
want to foil them...edit the image to have your url right in the center
(g).

Thom

baltimoremd@baltimoremd.com	Thom LaCosta K3HRN Webmaster
http://www.baltimoremd.com/	Baltimore's Home Page
http://www.baltimorehon.com/	Home of the Baltimore Lexicon
http://www.zerobeat.net	Home of The QRP Web Ring and DrakeList
http://www.tlchost.net	Web Hosting as low as \$3.49/month

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 04:54:40 -0000
From: "Andy GM0NWI" <gm0nwiqrp@btopenworld.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139936] FT100 VFO KNOB
Message-ID: <003d01c28a07\$9d3d4e40\$055bfea9@GM0NWI LAPTOP>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Guy's....

Andy GM0NWI,in Stirling, Scotland here.....

" It's good to be back...." as they say,.....here on the QRP-L.....

I've been "temporarily QRT..."....due to an illness that I had for the last year.....I didn't manage to "sign-off" the list, with the old e-mail address....so if some of you guy's have been tryin' to contact me...sorry...

I have been "laid up in bed...." for the last year with a "pressure sore" on my "derier"...!!! Part 'n' Parcel with being confined to a wheelchair for mobility I'm afraid.....but I'm "on the mend" now, getting to play with last year's Xmas present my Toshiba Laptop....

What I want to know from y'all is.....I saw somewhere, the last time I was on the list, that if you had a "K2", some of the guy's had changed there "VFO Dial" for either an FT100 or an FT900 dial, and I was wondering could someone hopefully tell me how I go about getting a "Complete FT100 Dial Assembly"....(if that's what I need...?) for fitting to my as yet unbuilt (fully-loadedK2)....

Obviously I am here in GM-land and you guy's are over there in the US and (elsewhere)....but if anyone can help me with the info getting one either in the US or if they know of the info needed for the UK...please let me know....

It's great to be back.....I missed y'all

Answers on a postcard to the e-mail address below.....

72's & 73's de gm0nwiqrp@btopenworld.com

Andy

GM0NWI

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Date: Mon, 11 Nov 2002 20:44:34 -0800

From: "Dave Fifield" <dave@redhotradio.com>

To: <k5di@zianet.com>,

"'Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion'" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>

Subject: [139937] RE: FT-817 Bug
Message-ID: <000a01c28a06\$32dbd5e0\$0200a8c0@AD6A>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="US-ASCII"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi Karl,

Thanks for taking the time to reply. I checked both my FT-817's and found that they both have three choices for menu item 32 (Dial/Freq/Lock). I did notice though, that the choices change darned quickly as you rotate the main dial to choose the one you want. I would guess that you are just turning the dial too fast and are simply missing the middle choice as it flashes by. I bet if you turn the main dial real slow, you'll see the "freq" choice in the middle there. Try it and let me know how you get on. It does sound like the "dial" or the "panel" option would be what you are looking for. FYI, the description for this is on page 65 of the manual.

Fine business on all the other stuff. On the battery issue, I had one of the Yaesu battery packs give out on me quite early too. I don't use them now - I just run the rigs off external gel cells - so I have removed the batteries.

Cheers es 72,
Dave Fifield
AD6A

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 05:20:29 -0000
From: "Andy GM0NWI" <gm0nwiqrp@btopenworld.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139938] K2 GREEN SIGNAL METER LIGHTS....ANYONE CHANGE THE COLOR OF THEM....
Message-ID: <005401c28a0b\$385bd150\$055bfea9@GM0NWI LAPTOP>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Guy's.....

Just as another thought.....

While layin' in bed for all those months, I had time to think.....(not a good idea...)...

I got someone to e-mail the guys at elecraft with my "thoughts", and happily did receive something back from one of the guy's therebut I think either "I" was at cross purposes with them,or we were BOTH confused.....me bein' the main cause of the confusion....

Has anyone ever taken a close look (prior to construction of course...) at the small package, that makes up the "signal meter/indicator" of the K2...?? While it is very well in construction....I was thinking if it would be possible for a perspective builder, to change the color of the "lights-LEDS ...whatever" in the mechanism that makes up the "signal meter" from green to something more of their likeing....

My idea was to try and "emulate" the display of the old "Yaesu FT707".....if you remember way back then (am I that old..!!!) it was kinda constructed of a "rainbow" effect of colors.....I think, if my memory serves me right "yellow-green-orange-red"

Has anyone thought of doing something similair to their "K2" radio's, as yet..?? If so was it difficult....Can it indeed be done...?

My only thought as to why it might NOT be done, is that the "meter" serves, as y'all who have these wonderful radio's...will know already, as a "multi-purpose" test meter also.....and possibly that is whyif no one has done this, that would be the reason....

But I think alsothat if it HAD been done, then all the respective person would need to rememberare the respective "colors" for indication purposes when "constructing" the rig...

Am I right....???

Answer'sas usual on a postcard to the e-mail address below....

72's & 73's de gm0nwiqrp@btopenworld.com

Andy

GM0NWI

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Date: Mon, 11 Nov 2002 22:27:17 -0700
From: Chris Howard <chris@yipyap.com>
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [139939] grouchy? you aint seen nothin
Message-ID: <20021111222717.19672@amos.estprk.co.charter.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

Howdy all you QRP'ers.

I know some of you all enjoy a certain curmodgenly status around this list. But I met a guy tonight on 7043 that has you all beat hands down.

As soon as I said I was QRP, he said QRP was a pain in the neck, signed off, moved a few kc's and started calling CQ again.

His signal was booming in 599.
He gave me a 479, as I recall.

Said he only had 200 watts and a monoband yagi.

Maybe we should take up a collection to have his ear wax removed ;-)

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Chris Howard
kc0atc

Date: Mon, 11 Nov 2002 21:39:36 -0800
From: "Bob Tellefsen" <n6wg@earthlink.net>
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139940] Re: ladder line on roof
Message-ID: <MABBJOEABOILMKCJCLFCEEHKDLAA.n6wg@earthlink.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I just let my 450 ohm ladder line lay on the roof. However, I put a twist in it of about 1 full turn each 5 or 6 feet. This averages out any unbalancing

influences over the length of the line.
73, Bob N6WG

Date: Mon, 11 Nov 2002 21:49:42 -0800 (PST)
From: Jim <ku4qw@yahoo.com>
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [139941] re: cw practice ideas
Message-ID: <20021112054942.90555.qmail@web13902.mail.yahoo.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

Hmmm, some good info there, but I think the part about not getting on the air until you can do 20 wpm is bad info. I remember being a Novice on 40 meter cw with my big ft-101 fighting the Broadcast stations noise and doing slooooooooooooooww cw there. Even then so shaky couldn't copy 1 wpm first time out but it was still a load of fun....My 3rd contact happen to be with Jack Wagoner WB8FSV, he helped me more than anything with cw, he sent at a speed I could copy and he gently lead me into having fun with it
Check out this great site from Jack on making cw contacts..

<http://www.netwalk.com/~fsv/CWguide.htm>

So I say get on the air and call cq....no matter how slow..as far as sending that seems to come natural just you a nice str key and have fun.....

72
jim

Do you Yahoo!?
U2 on LAUNCH - Exclusive greatest hits videos
<http://launch.yahoo.com/u2>

Date: Mon, 11 Nov 2002 22:02:13 -0800
From: "Doug Hendricks" <ki6ds@dospalos.org>
To: "qrp-1" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Cc: "Jay Bromley" <w5jay@alltel.net>
Subject: [139942] Ooops in SideKick Kits and Congrats to Jeff Grudin

Message-ID: <001001c28a11\$0d8eba90\$1fdbd7a8@DOUG>

MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"

Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Ok, the oops part first. When I kitted the SideKick's, I screwed up. I put a .022 cap instead of a .0022 cap in the kit. Did not discover it until Mike Schettler emailed JayBob about it. Dang, 200 kits already kitted and sent to JayBob. What do we do? Ok, if you have already recieved your kit, you are missing the cap. There are a couple of things you can do:

1. Send JayBob an email at w5jay@alltel.net with the subject line "Missing Cap". Make sure you use this subject line so he can tell what you need. In the message part, tell him that you are missing the .0022 cap and would like him to send you one. Then skip a line like this and type your address:

Your Name

Your Address

Your City, State, Zip

That way, JayBob can print out a mailing label to use to send you your cap.

2. If you are really a nice guy and want to support JayBob and help him out a bunch. Send him a self addressed stamped envelope with postage on it. Address the letter to:

JayBob Bromley

Missing Cap Offer

9505 Bryn Mawr Cr.

Fort Smith, AR 72908-9276

In fact, you can print this message and cut out the mailing label and it will save you some time, grin. When JayBob gets your letter, all he has to do is open your SASE envelope, drop in the cap, seal it, and he will be done.

I apologize to JayBob and all of you for the screwup, but I do take full responsibility for it.

Jeff Grudin is the first to finish the kit that I know of. Mike Schettler may have been first, but I have not heard or seen a report from him. How about the rest of you guys who have this kit? Have you started to build it yet? Any suggestions or improvements to help the rest of us? Let's use this list for what it is intended, helping others with QRP. If you are

building the Sidekick, post a report on how you are getting along. Any gotchas, suggestions, caveats (yeah we know about the missing cap, .0022 already grin).

Guys, this is a great kit. There are only going to be 300 of them, and half of those are gone now. Don't sleep at the wheel and miss this one. To order, send \$34 to Jay at the above address.

I had a thought the other day. There are lots of you out there who are dad's and granpa's and it would be really neat to buy 2 of these kits, and build along with your son or daughter. You could show them how on yours, and then let them do their own. Plus, when you get done, you have a couple of really neat receivers. Put this thing in a nice ten tec case, and it makes a perfect loaner for the prospective ham. Christmas is also coming, and this is a nice present to put on your own list.

72, Doug, KI6DS

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 00:52:32 EST
From: ARDUJENSKI@aol.com
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [139943] ATU's and field antennas--matching
Message-ID: <163.16ebd280.2b01f120@aol.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I would like some feedback regarding the use of automatic tuners (ATUs) with field antennas. It appears most ATU's are limited to matching a maximum load of 800 ohms (or thereabouts). It appears some configurations such as being at 1/2w1 can have impedance values of 2000 to 3000 ohms (verticals, endfed wires, and Inverted -Ls).

Have any of you experienced problems with field matches with Automatic tuning units such as the LDG or SGC or with the Elecraft in these situations?

Alan KB7MBI in Woodinville, WA
FISTS 5702 Proud member of ARRL

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Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 00:55:10 -0500
From: "Paul Mills" <quahog@localnet.com>
To: <QRP-L@lehigh.edu>

Subject: [139944] Re: CW Practice Ideas
Message-ID: <008501c28a10\$10b06260\$a6449942@cybrinjn>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

----- Original Message -----

From: George Gingell <k3tks@u1.abs.net>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Monday, November 11, 2002 7:11 PM
Subject: CW Practice Ideas

"...One very good method he suggested was to actually try to make the sound of a code oscillator with your voice and "Read Street Signs" to yourself in code as you traveled to and from work each day."

I have taken a slightly more radical approach: I take my MFJ-422D on the road with me and use *it* to make the sounds. I went from stuck at 10 WPM to being able to head-read bursts of 30 WPM. Works fer me...

Paul KB1GEJ

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 01:33:52 -0500 (EST)
From: George Gingell <k3tks@u1.abs.net>
To: Ade Weiss <adeweiss@sd.value.net>
Cc: QRP List <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139945] Re: Can anyone help identifiy this rcvr?
Message-ID: <20021112012519.K41262-100000@u1.abs.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

Hello Ade,

It sounds like it may be a SPC "Small Parts Center" rig. The Small Parts Center was owned and operated by Chris Hethorn, KM8X. I can not recall the date, but I would guess the 90's He later sold out to Oak Hills Research if I recall correctly, MorseX Now owns that one i believe. Marshall Emm may be able to shed some light for you.

I may have diagrams in the file cabinet somewhere, I used to have all of those Catalogs and materials at one time. I definately recall the Converter Boards. In fact, i probably have one somewhere in the qrp museum. :^} It was based on NE602 It could be wired into just about anything to make a simple receiver for your favorite band.

If I get some time tommorrow, I will dig a little and see if i can find more info for you.

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Date: Mon, 11 Nov 2002 23:01:00 -0800
From: "Doug Hendricks" <ki6ds@dospalos.org>
To: "qrp-l" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139946] Need schematic for TenTec 1056
Message-ID: <002901c28a19\$43de8ff0\$1fdbd7a8@DOUG>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

Well friends and fellow QRPers,

Yet another great QRP Quarterly Journal is hot off the press in on the way to a Post office near you.

How do I know? Well I received (4) large cartons on my doorstep this afternoon. That is generally a pretty good sign that they have been posted. I get the remainders for Back issues Sales and Membership Services.

I have not yet read it cover to cover, I have browsed it thru at least once. I can say that you will be pleased, it is yet another job well done by the all volunteer staff of QRP ARCI.

The Cover features a J-38 and the Tuna Twin Two a companion receiver for the Tuna Tin Transmitter by Mike Boatwright, K04WX.

There are Articles on everything from a HF In-Line Return Loss and Power Meter to the Micro-80 kit available from Oleg Borodin, RV3GM. (Suggested Contribution \$ 10.00)

Interested in Computer stuff, Several hot items for you from N2CX & N2APB in The Quickie Lab and the Digital QRP Breadboard.

The Idea Exchange has some interesting tid bits as usual. I like the N4UY Afterburner ala W1FB on page 13. I believe it may have been among the items he had on display at the NORVA QRP Meeting last Saturday.

Jim Reid, KD3S and I dropped in on them this month as the "Maryland Milliwatt Club Representatives"

I brought the NC40A with Little Red Key (American QRP Key Company), My 6B AT&T key, A Russian (RV3GM) and Ukraine Trainer keys, a Micro-80 kit and TWO of The MorseX 2002 Christmas Keys. #072 & #073 for show and tell.

The keys are a delight to behold and currently available from MorseX.com

I see that n4uy has the amp on his web page.

<<http://mywebpage.netscape.com/jakecarter/4400amp.html>>

Guess that's it for now, I gotta qrt for the night now.

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Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 10:43:25 -0000
From: "Andy GMONWI" <gm0nwiqrp@btopenworld.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139949] WANTED:HEATHKIT HW8 PUSH-BUTTON BAND SWITCH ASSEMBLY...
Message-ID: <000701c28a38\$690d82d0\$055bfea9@GMONWILAPTOP>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Guy's

Just wonderin'.....

Does,.....ANYONE.....at all on the list have a "spare", "un-wanted",
"surplus-to-requirements"....Heathkit HW8 Push-Button Band Switch
Assembly....?

It's the assembly that keeps together the 4 black "push-in" buttons, on front of the HW8, that allow you to change band.....

the black buttons, are connected to the main assembly that goes inside the rig.....Unfortunately mine have got a broken "switch assembly".....that is NOT allowing me to replace the buttons back onto the PCB board.....

The par No. in the Hw Manual is "E10...(see page15)... OR ...64-775 ...(also see page 15)

PLEASECan ANYONE help with this.... I will be willing to pay any expense that occurs in the sending of such an item.....

Answers on a postcard to the e-mail address below.....

72's & 73's de gm0nwiqrp@btopenworld.com

Andy

GM0NWI

" It is vain to do with more....

" A

Dis-Orientated Kiwi....."

what can be done with less...."

In The Northern

Hemisphere....."

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 07:07:46 -0500

From: "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>

To: <baltimoremd@baltimoremd.com>,

"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>

Subject: [139950] Re: It really frosts me....

Message-ID: <006901c28a44\$1ee182e0\$0300a8c0@charter.net>

MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain;

charset="iso-8859-1"

Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

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----- Original Message -----

From: "Thom LaCosta" <baltimoremd@baltimoremd.com>

To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>

Sent: Monday, November 11, 2002 11:19 PM

Subject: Re: It really frosts me....

> On Mon, 11 Nov 2002, John J. McDonough wrote:
>
> > Last night I was grazing the QRP rigs on eBay (I keep thinking I'm
gonna
> > snag a HW-9), and I ran across a picture from my web site. Now, I
found it
> > pretty annoying that someone would steal my work, but even more
annoying
> > that it was a dealer.
>
> The true slime buckets won't even bother to steal your image...they will
> just link to it...that way not only do they get your image, they steal
> your bandwidth.
>
> You could watermark them, you might complain to Ebay, or if you REALLY
> want to foil them...edit the image to have your url right in the center
> (g).
>
>
> Thom
>
> baltimoremd@baltimoremd.com Thom LaCosta K3HRN Webmaster
> http://www.baltimoremd.com/ Baltimore's Home Page
> http://www.baltimorehon.com/ Home of the Baltimore Lexicon
> http://www.zerobeat.net Home of The QRP Web Ring and
DrakeList
> http://www.tlchost.net Web Hosting as low as
\$3.49/month
>
>

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 07:06:30 -0500
From: "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>
To: <nielsen@oz.net>,
 "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139951] Re: Soldering stations
Message-ID: <006801c28a44\$0fb93380\$0300a8c0@charter.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

A pot in the base does not necessarily mean it's a temperature control
station. I realize you can 'dial the heat' on the thing, but is the

control
in a temperature feedback loop or is it just a power control?

Mike

> No, the WES50 is temperature controlled. It has a pot in the control
> unit, however, instead of a thermostat in the tip. I believe Weller
> does make a power control station, but don't recall the model number
> (it's a bit cheaper).
>
> Bob
>
> On Mon, Nov 11, 2002 at 08:16:09PM -0500, Mike Yetsko wrote:
> > I was just looking at a writeup on soldering stations and I have a
> > question...
> >
> > The WES50... That's a power control station, as opposed to a
> > temperature control station, right?
> >
> > Mike

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 07:36:04 EST
From: Fghester@aol.com
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [139952] Re: CW Practice Ideas
Message-ID: <c9.2b81ef55.2b024fb4@aol.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Here's a great idea. Start listening to a CW Traffic Training Net and then start checking in when ready. Most run pretty slow and all should slow to the speed of the op. checking in. You'll not only improve your code but you'll learn traffic handling procedures! If your section doesn't have a training net come visit the Illinois Training Net (ITN) at 3680 KHz daily (7pm Central time). If you want to know more about ITN send me a message off list and I'll send back a copy of the ITN Handbook in .pdf format or in Microsoft Word format. / Woody / WD9F

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 05:50:26 -0700 (MST)
From: "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>
To: Dave Fifield <dave@redhotradio.com>

Cc: "'Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion'" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139953] RE: FT-817 Bug
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.44.0211120541140.1285-100000@Bucket.dog>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

Hi Dave, mine has 3 selections IF you rotate the main dial slowly. I'm sorry I mislead you but it was an honest error. So now I think I will still use PANEL when I'm using mine as a 2 meter FM radio in my daypack.

On batteries, your doing the right thing I think. The charger in the radio is simply a timer and a series resistor to make it a trickle charger. The radio is quite a bit lighter with the battery removed too. And the Radio Shack 4.5 amp-hour gel cell in the red nylon package is simply NICE.

On Mon, 11 Nov 2002, Dave Fifield wrote:

> Hi Karl,
>
> Thanks for taking the time to reply. I checked both my
> FT-817's and found that they both have three choices for
> menu item 32 (Dial/Freq/Lock). I did notice though, that
> the choices change darned quickly as you rotate the main
> dial to choose the one you want. I would guess that you
> are just turning the dial too fast and are simply missing
> the middle choice as it flashes by. I bet if you turn the
> main dial real slow, you'll see the "freq" choice in the
> middle there. Try it and let me know how you get on. It
> does sound like the "dial" or the "panel" option would be
> what you are looking for. FYI, the description for this
> is on page 65 of the manual.
>
> Fine business on all the other stuff. On the battery issue,
> I had one of the Yaesu battery packs give out on me quite
> early too. I don't use them now - I just run the rigs off
> external gel cells - so I have removed the batteries.
>
> Cheers es 72,
> Dave Fifield
> AD6A
>
>

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- Karl Larsen k5di Las Cruces, NM Az ScQRPions -

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 07:53:39 -0500
From: "John J. McDonough" <wb8rcr@arrl.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139954] QSLMaker Frequently Asked Questions
Message-ID: <006401c28a4a\$87d82e60\$010044c0@chartermi.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="Windows-1252"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I get a lot of email on QSLMaker, and it seems like 90% of it has to do with the same half dozen questions. A couple of weeks ago it finally dawned on me that I needed a FAQ page.

At <http://hfradio.org/wb8rcr> there is now an FAQ button. If you are using QSLMaker and something isn't working right, try taking a look there.

Also, if you are upgrading to the latest version of LogWindows, get version 2.4 from <http://hfradio.org/wb8rcr/downloads/QSLmake24.zip>. Version 2.3 uses the wrong report from the latest version of LogWindows, and that is an error you might not notice right away. It is OK on earlier versions of LogWindows. This version also allows you to sort QSOs by call in case you are sending cards to the bureau.

72/73 de WB8RCR <http://www.qsl.net/wb8rcr>
didileydadidah QRP-L #1446 Code Warriors #35

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 08:06:21 -0500 (EST)
From: Thom LaCosta <baltimoremd@baltimoremd.com>
To: Mike Yetsko <myetsko@insydesw.com>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139955] Re: It really frosts me....
Message-ID: <20021112080521.W84815-100000@unix1.vhost.min.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

On Tue, 12 Nov 2002, Mike Yetsko wrote:

> If someone just 'links' to your image, change your image and put up a
> 'nasty' one...

Yes, that would work...but then the "nastiness" would be on your site.

Thom

baltimoremd@baltimoremd.com	Thom LaCosta K3HRN Webmaster
http://www.baltimoremd.com/	Baltimore's Home Page
http://www.baltimorehon.com/	Home of the Baltimore Lexicon
http://www.zerobeat.net	Home of The QRP Web Ring and DrakeList
http://www.tlchost.net	Web Hosting as low as \$3.49/month

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 08:06:35 -0500
From: "Jason Hissong" <jhisson1@columbus.rr.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139956] Re: cw practice ideas
Message-ID: <009501c28a4c\$54a8a040\$6e01a8c0@procyon>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Jim,

Jack is a personal friend of mine and he is a great guy. He lives right down the street from me. I too started out slow on the 40M novice portion. I have many fond memories of it being cold outside and talking to guys on 40M. I had an FT101(EE) as well! Small world....

73

Jason

N8XE

----- Original Message -----

From: "Ji m" <ku4qw@yahoo.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Tuesday, November 12, 2002 12:49 AM
Subject: re: cw practice ideas

> Hmmm, some good info there, but I think the part about
> not getting on the air until you can do 20 wpm is bad
> info. I remember being a Novice on 40 meter cw with
> my big ft-101 fighting the Broadcast stations noise
> and doing slooooooooooooooww cw there. Even then so

> shaky couldn't copy 1 wpm first time out but it was
> still a load of fun....My 3rd contact happen to be
> with Jack Wagoner WB8FSV, he helped me more than
> anything with cw, he sent at a speed I could copy and
> he gently lead me into having fun with it
> Check out this great site from Jack on making cw
> contacts..
>
> <http://www.netwalk.com/~fsv/CWguide.htm>
>
> So I say get on the air and call cq....no matter how
> slow..as far as sending that seems to come natural
> just you a nice str key and have fun.....
>
> 72
> jim
>
>
> -----
> Do you Yahoo!?
> U2 on LAUNCH - Exclusive greatest hits videos
> <http://launch.yahoo.com/u2>
>

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 08:12:10 -0500
From: "Jason Hissong" <jhisson1@columbus.rr.com>
To: "QRP List" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139957] Re: CW Practice Ideas
Message-ID: <00df01c28a4d\$1bfe7110\$6e01a8c0@procyon>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Thanks for the suggestions George... I can send pretty fast with a keyer and I think my fist is not bad either... it is just the decoding in my head... I will keep chugging along with the CDs, computer programs, and on air copy. The idea of copying the traffic net is good as well...

Thanks again everyone!

Jason Hissong
N8XE

----- Original Message -----

From: "George Gingell" <k3tks@u1.abs.net>
To: "QRP List" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>

Sent: Monday, November 11, 2002 7:11 PM
Subject: CW Practice Ideas

<snip>

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 06:41:48 -0700
From: Bruce Grubbs <mail@brucegrubbs.com>
To: llachow@yahoo.com,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139958] Re: PDA Logging advice needed
Message-ID: <E18BbGG-0002bz-00@flamingo.mail.pas.earthlink.net>
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 8bit

Lloyd,
GoLog is excellent for contest logging on a PDA. I use it for all the field
contests.

73,
Bruce
N7CEE

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 08:33:56 -0500
From: "brian" <brian@iquest.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139959] Re: CW Practice Ideas
Message-ID: <006501c28a50\$266ed650\$3d05080a@BM17711>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

George,

You have a lot of good info here, I only disagree with the 20 WPM comment
listed below. I would say 5 wpm and it's time to get on the air....but you
still need to have your 15 or 20 minute CW speed practice sessions a few
days a week. Back when I was a CW pup 3 or 4 years ago (hahahah) it seems
like it took me about 3 weeks of practice to get to the 5-8 wpm stage. I
hadn't run any CW at all since about 1988 so I did have the advantage of it
being in my memory banks somewhere.

Once I got on the air with my 5-8 wpm, I was at 10-12 in about 2 weeks, 15-16 a couple weeks later and quite honestly, I think my best speed was in the 22-24 wpm range, briefly, when I was running a lot more contests and had time to play radio every single night.

Nowadays, I run about 17wpm when I get a chance to be on the air for more than 15 minutes at a time.

Well that's me...

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To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>

Sent: Monday, November 11, 2002 7:11 PM

Subject: CW Practice Ideas

> I also used the American Radio Relay League Code Practice Sessions. It is
> a good idea to get practice from known sources of accurately sent code.
> Although, actual use on the air can be good, you should avoid that in the
> beginning until you have reached at least 20 + WPM. I also recommend
AGAINST
> USING W1AW Code Practice, On the Sessions where they start at Slow Speed
> and increase in speed in steps thru the session. This has a tendency to
> make you feel bad about you abilities and discourages many into thinking
> that they are not making any progress. I DO HIGHLY Recommend W1AW for
> Practice on those sessions that Start out Fast and gradually slow down.

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 08:51:20 EST

From: IamSF5@aol.com

To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu

Subject: [139960] From AF2Q

Message-ID: <16d.156cfaf3.2b026158@aol.com>

MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"

Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi Gang,

I just want to thank everyone who responded to me about the FT-817.

I'm still hearing pro and con on the SSB filters and as far as the Yahoo list goes I made 2 post but both were answered direct.

I see where 2 others must have see my post but it never made it here.

Well can someone tell me what the SSB filter is 2.3,2.4.2.7??

I called HRO and the FT 817 is now selling for \$619.95.

BTW,

Whats with all the bugs i've been reading about?

Bob

AF2Q

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 14:45:49 -0000
From: "Ray Goff" <radioham@gmx.co.uk>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139961] Re: CW Practice Ideas
Message-ID: <001a01c28a5a\$3d3ea2c0\$08f00350@starfishrcg>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

> I only disagree with the 20 WPM comment
> listed below. I would say 5 wpm and it's time to get on the air....but
you
> still need to have your 15 or 20 minute CW speed practice sessions a few
> days a week.

Brian et al,

There is a fundamental issue with learning Morse code and I think that 5WPM
puts you right in the thick of it.

Up to the plateau at around 10-12 WPM your brain will use a lookup table
approach to decoding the Morse, particularly if you have used any form of
visualisation of the Morse characters. By this I mean it will break the
Morse into its constituent dots and dashes and then figure out the
character. The brain will hang onto this method as long as possible and you
build up more and more of a sweat trying to decode at around 10 WPM.

As you increase the speed above 12WPM, your brains finally realises that it
cannot use the lookup table approach and switches instead to recognising the
characters as sound entities, which is much easier as the dots and dashes
are much shorter!

The plateau at 10-12 WPM is your brain RELEARNING how to decode the Morse.
In effect you have wasted all the time you spent getting to 10 WPM as your
brain can no longer use what it has learnt.

If you want to be successful at Morse you need to start out ABOVE this nasty

threshold so your brain is immediately reflexively learning the complete characters as sounds and not counting the individual dots and dashes which make up the character.

73's

Ray, g4fon

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 09:26:42 -0600
From: <jfox6@houston.rr.com>
To: "QRP" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139962] RS GPS
Message-ID: <000901c28a5f\$e7cea140\$8c100a43@houston.rr.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Gang,

I have purchased a RS GPS unit. In fact I had purchased two... One for the PDA and the pothier for a handheld. The PDA unit would not work with the PDA I have (Handspring). I took that one back and got the one for the laptop. It wouldn't work either. The message was always, "NO GPS".

I decided I was just plain dumb, so I took the RS unit to a repair place who deals with laptops and GPS units, and they couldn't get the RS gps to be recognized by the laptop either.

Does anyone have an idea why there is no recognition?

Regards,

Foxy
jfox6@houston.rr.com
<http://www.qsl.net/w5hir>

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 07:39:39 -0800 (PST)
From: Dave Millican <ag4pj@yahoo.com>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139963] Is Learning Slow Always Bad? (Was Re: CW Practice Ideas)
Message-ID: <20021112153939.82330.qmail@web20505.mail.yahoo.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

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Just curious, and wondering if anyone might have experienced this. Or did we all learn the "wrong" way, pass the test, and then have to be retrained? :^)

Thanks and 73
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[SNIP]

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Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 10:57:30 -0500
From: "brian" <brian@iquest.net>
To: <radioham@gmx.co.uk>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139964] Re: CW Practice Ideas
Message-ID: <001b01c28a64\$3538e900\$3d05080a@BM17711>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

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----- Original Message -----

From: "Ray Goff" <radioham@gmx.co.uk>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Tuesday, November 12, 2002 9:45 AM
Subject: Re: CW Practice Ideas

> > I only disagree with the 20 WPM comment
> > listed below. I would say 5 wpm and it's time to get on the air....but
> you
> > still need to have your 15 or 20 minute CW speed practice sessions a few
> > days a week.
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> As you increase the speed above 12WPM, your brains finally realises that
it

> cannot use the lookup table approach and switches instead to recognising
the

> characters as sound entities, which is much easier as the dots and dashes
> are much shorter!

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> The plateau at 10-12 WPM is your brain RELEARNING how to decode the Morse.

> In effect you have wasted all the time you spent getting to 10 WPM as your
> brain can no longer use what it has learnt.

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> If you want to be successful at Morse you need to start out ABOVE this
nasty

> threshold so your brain is immediately reflexively learning the complete
> characters as sounds and not counting the individual dots and dashes which
> make up the character.

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> 73's

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> Ray, g4fon

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Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 10:06:50 -0600

From: "KD5NWA" <KD5NWA@mbayona.com>

To: <ag4pj@yahoo.com>,

"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>

Subject: [139965] RE: Is Learning Slow Always Bad? (Was Re: CW Practice Ideas)

Message-ID: <0DEHLGCFFKOMOKMFFMBCLMEBACCAA.KD5NWA@MBayona.com>

MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="us-ascii"

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I'm not the voice of experience, I haven't passed my test yet, but I was concerned about that problem, I learning at 25 wpm with 7 character spacing. Occasionally I slow down to 15 wpm like they use in the test and I find it very easy to copy so, when I learn all the characters I'm not too worried about taking the test at a slower speed.

Cecil
KD5NWA

> -----Original Message-----
> From: owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU [mailto:owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU]On Behalf Of
> Dave Millican
> Sent: Tuesday, November 12, 2002 9:40 AM
> To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion
> Subject: Is Learning Slow Always Bad? (Was Re: CW Practice Ideas)
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Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 16:20:45 -0000
From: "Ray Goff" <radioham@gmx.co.uk>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139966] Re: Is Learning Slow Always Bad? (Was Re: CW Practice Ideas)
Message-ID: <005b01c28a67\$9670e1c0\$08f00350@starfishrcg>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Dave,

In the UK the test is sent as 12WPM characters with 5WPM spacing, so there should be no problem!

73's

Ray

----- Original Message -----

From: "Dave Millican" <ag4pj@yahoo.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Tuesday, November 12, 2002 3:39 PM

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Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 16:21:27 -0000
From: "Ray Goff" <radioham@gmx.co.uk>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139967] Re: It really frosts me....
Message-ID: <005c01c28a67\$96c80270\$08f00350@starfishrcg>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

No, you leave the graphic in the directory/folder for the other site to link to and use a different one on the web pages...

As somebody who has had an entire web article copied lock stock and barrel to another web site, I can empathise...

73's

Ray, g4fon

----- Original Message -----
From: "Thom LaCosta" <baltimoremd@baltimoremd.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Tuesday, November 12, 2002 1:06 PM
Subject: Re: It really frosts me....

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> Thom
>
> baltimoremd@baltimoremd.com Thom LaCosta K3HRN Webmaster

> <http://www.baltimoremd.com/> Baltimore's Home Page
> <http://www.baltimorehon.com/> Home of the Baltimore Lexicon
> <http://www.zerobeat.net> Home of The QRP Web Ring and
DrakeList
> <http://www.tlchost.net> Web Hosting as low as \$3.49/month
>
>

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 16:36:58 -0000
From: "Ray Goff" <radioham@gmx.co.uk>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139968] Re: CW Practice Ideas
Message-ID: <008301c28a6a\$92dae260\$08f00350@starfishrcg>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Brian,

Do you miss the letters at 10WPM or does your brain not put together the words before it has forgotten the first characters?

I just wondered as I personally do not have a problem with 10WPM characters, ie I can read them and write them down, but I cannot form the word.

73's

Ray, g4fon

----- Original Message -----
From: "brian" <brian@iquest.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Tuesday, November 12, 2002 3:57 PM
Subject: Re: CW Practice Ideas

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Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 12:11:25 -0500
From: Haines Brown <brownh@hartford-hwp.com>
To: myetsko@insydesw.com
Cc: qrp-1@lehigh.edu, brownh@hartford-hwp.com
Subject: [139969] Re: It really frosts me....
Message-ID: <200211121711.gACHBPn10181@hartford-hwp.com>

I believe the rules affecting the use of material found on line are approximately as follow.

Something that is copyrighted should not be used without permission of the copyright holder.

The exception is called "Fair Use Doctrine." That is, no permission is required for personal use or purely (non-profit) educational use of a relatively small segment of a larger work. However, recently Fair Use Doctrine has been more narrowly defined, and the situation is currently contested.

Copyright is not established by the copyright symbol or formal statement of ownership, but merely by the fact of one's being the author of the work. For example, song composers used to mail themselves a copy of their own works and leave the returned envelope unopened. The postmark served to date the time when the work was created. The purpose of copyright statement or symbol is merely to alert viewers that the work is copyrighted.

Downloading and public use of a graphic file, even a simple decorative element, is implicitly a violation of the copyright of the author of that image. Therefore, you need to get permission to use the image.

Netiquette makes clear that a simple link to an on-line resources should follow receipt of the author's permission, but that permission if probably is not mandatory (another contested area, for it would create impossible demands). However, displaying an image by creating a link to it without permission, seems a violation of copyright. What seems to have occurred in this case is that the offending party has caused a copyrighted image to be appropriated by being stored in the

cache of visitors to his site.

I don't know if this common situation has reached the courts, but from a moral viewpoint, it seems to me the equivalent of downloading the image itself and adding it directly to your site.

However, having said all this, let me add the following qualifications. As always, there is both a legal and a moral side. So far I've looked at the former, but the latter is important, too. I don't intend to perpetuate an OT thread, and so I won't respond to challenges to these points except privately.

There's a lot of grey areas in all this, especially since Internet is an international medium, and there's no international standard (although the WTO has recently proposed a [unworkable] standard). But beyond the narrow legal perspective, there are certainly other things to consider, for the law does not always define what we should and should not do, but merely specifies the potential penalties for certain behaviors.

The original point of copyright was to protect the economic interests of artists and writers. Copyright today largely serves corporate profit (there's a considerable literature on this issue). These days, individuals who object to a violation of their copyright are more likely to do so as a result of ego sensitivity than substantial pecuniary interest. However, while this changed context may alter the moral dimension, it does not affect the legality of copyright.

Often, when there is an explicit copyright statement, its aim is not to prevent republication, but to retain some control over the manner of republication. For example, a news report has value largely because it is timely. Ten years after the fact, the report has little use to the news agency unless they or someone else intends to publish old news items. So while on-line publication would make one technically in violation of a Reuters report of the bombing of Pearl Harbor in 1941, Reuters won't care if you use that report unless it has demonstrable economic value.

Often a simple error or misjudgement results in copyright violation. Almost always the copyright holder just asks the offending party to remove the material from publication, and almost always the offending party complies. That is, on issues of copyright, there is generally amicable agreement. Even large corporations can be surprisingly patient and willing to negotiate informally, for usually the economic gain or loss is far less than the costs of lawyers to represent your case at court.

In the present situation, the first question is whether the person

whose photo of a transceiver was appropriated in fact himself took that photo (and all other decorative elements on his site were of his own design and all text of his writing). I don't recall that he explicitly said he did.

If he was the author of the image, which I'll assume he was, then certainly the person who appropriated it by linking to it should have asked permission first.

I can't imagine why someone would refuse such flattery of imitation or an opportunity to be sociable, unless there were significant economic interests involved. On the surface this seems not the case, and so the question becomes one of ego. While a person's ego should be respected, it has a way of making a bad situation worse.

The obvious course of action would have been to contact the appropriator and to ask that the link be removed. If that step was not taken, or if the request was ignored, then the copyright holder has a right to be upset. But otherwise, his pillory of the offender makes the two parties morally, although not legally, equivalent.

Haines Brown

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 12:33:15 -0500
From: "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>
To: "Thom LaCosta" <baltimoremd@baltimoremd.com>
Cc: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139970] Re: It really frosts me....
Message-ID: <005c01c28a71\$b5d57d00\$0300a8c0@charter.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
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Mike

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 09:59:03 -0800
From: "Bob Tellefsen" <n6wg@earthlink.net>
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139971] Re: ATU's and field antennas--matching
Message-ID: <MABBJOEABOILMKCJCLFCKEIBDLAA.n6wg@earthlink.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Alan
I remember reading one of L. B. Cebik's articles about end feeding wires.
As I recall, he indicates that the impedance rises rapidly in about the last
10-15% of a half-wave wire.
So, if you shorten or lengthen a halfwave wire by say 15%, that should bring
the impedance
down within range of the typical autotuner.
Certainly a cheap experiment.
73, Bob N6WG

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 13:03:11 -0500 (EST)
From: Thom LaCosta <baltimoremd@baltimoremd.com>
To: Mike Yetsko <myetsko@insydesw.com>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139972] Re: It really frosts me....
Message-ID: <20021112124041.K88203-100000@unix1.vhost.min.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

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I've gotten a lot of email on this thread....

Without giving away all my methods, let's just say that if someone tries to steal my bandwidth and/or material, whether it's within the narrow legal scope and/or a wider one, sooner or later they will understand the phrase "When it goes around, it comes around".

Thom

baltimoremd@baltimoremd.com	Thom LaCosta K3HRN Webmaster
http://www.baltimoremd.com/	Baltimore's Home Page
http://www.baltimorehon.com/	Home of the Baltimore Lexicon
http://www.zerobeat.net	Home of The QRP Web Ring and DrakeList
http://www.tlchost.net	Web Hosting as low as \$3.49/month

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 13:18:39 -0500
From: "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>
To: <nielsen@oz.net>,
 "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139973] Re: Soldering stations
Message-ID: <014701c28a77\$ee8aa480\$0300a8c0@charter.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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> No, the WES50 is temperature controlled. It has a pot in the control
> unit, however, instead of a thermostat in the tip. I believe Weller
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> does make a power control station, but don't recall the model number
> (it's a bit cheaper).
>
> Bob

I think you're referring to the WLC100. Yep, I know that one is just a power pot. But I'm still wondering how 'good' the WES50 is, and why it would be so much cheaper than the WTCPT

Mike

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 13:30:19 -0500
From: "Jim" <ku4qw@yahoo.com>
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139974] Re: From AF2Q
Message-ID: <000301c28a79\$8e728160\$0100000a@jim>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hey Bob,

I had a ft-817 for almost two years, never had a single problem with it. I bought in new not soon after they came out. It worked with out fail all the time. I didn't really like the way it was laid out, it's a tiny radio and I don't really like em that small. But for somebody wanting a manpack / field radio, hiking, survial radio I would recommend it 100%..
The only reason I got rid of mine was I wanted to try a Yaesu FT-100, I traded it for that, and the 100 is WoW, hands down a better radio for in the shack or mobile, but not for field use..

I say try it you might like it..

73 es cul
jim
ku4qw

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 10:31:21 -0800
From: Mark Schoonover <schoon@amgt.com>
To: "'myetsko@insydesw.com'" <myetsko@insydesw.com> ,

Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139975] RE: It really frosts me....
Message-ID: <BF889CEBEFD2D511B993009027F60ABE251A50@AG-JASMINE-NT4>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"

Ah, the old topic of 'deep linking'. When is it OK and when it's not. Well folks, the WWW operates on being able to link to other documents. That's what makes it tick. If you have a problem with anyone using the information you put out on the web and they simply link to it from their site, then just take it off the WWW. It's obvious your rights are more important to you, than simply sharing your information with the world.

.mark

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Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 11:57:19 -0500

From: Steven Weber <kd1jv@moose.ncia.net>
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [139976] Battery monitor- sold out!
Message-ID: <3.0.6.32.20021112115719.007c01c0@mailhost.ncia.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

Hi Gang,

The "Intelligent" battery monitor "quickie kit" is now sold out. I ordered a set of 50 parts yesterday morning, when there were only 30 or so spoken for and now thier all gone! Thanks! Maybe we'll do another run in the Spring before you all start going back into the field :-)

72,
Steve, KD1JV
"Melt Solder"
White Mountains of New Hampshire
<http://www.qsl.net/kd1jv/>

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 11:53:25 -0700
From: "Dave Ek" <ekdave@earthlink.net>
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139977] Re: RS GPS
Message-ID: <000f01c28a7c\$c8eb8050\$c1813389@NORTHROPJ6SJ50>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="Windows-1252"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Foxy,

Most likely, the reason why the GPS didn't work with your Visor is that your Handspring Visor serial cable expects to be powered by the device it's connected to--usually a PC but in this case the GPS. The GPS doesn't provide the expected power, so the cable doesn't work.

The Visor serial cable requires power to work because it contains built-in circuitry for converting the RS-232 signal levels from the PC (or GPS) to the TTL levels expected by the Visor. The cable expects to receive +5V from pin 7 or 8 of the PC's serial port, but your GPS doesn't provide this voltage.

See <http://www.pocketaprs.com/visor.html> for further details and suggested fixes. I experienced this problem first-hand with my Visor and my Serial CW Sender, and it was simple to fix once I understood the problem. PDAs made by Palm do not have this problem.

As far as the PC version is concerned, I downloaded the users manual from the RS website. It says that if the GPS is not detected, make sure it's outside in the open where it can receive the GPS signals. GPS units usually don't work well indoors (if at all), and if you're testing it indoors then it's likely that the GPS isn't responding because it can't get a lock on any satellites.

73 de Dave NK0E

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 13:47:21 -0500
From: "brian" <brian@iquest.net>
To: <myetsko@insydesw.com>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139978] Re: It really frosts me....
Message-ID: <002501c28a7b\$ef06dc90\$3d05080a@BM17711>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Or just put the words "BROKEN - FOUND IN TRASH" on the picture.

heheheheh

----- Original Message -----
From: "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Tuesday, November 12, 2002 12:33 PM
Subject: Re: It really frosts me....

> > On Tue, 12 Nov 2002, Mike Yetsko wrote:
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> > > 'nasty' one...
> >
> > Yes, that would work...but then the "nastiness" would be on your site.
> >
> > Thom
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> But it doesn't have to be 'nasty' in a generic way. It could just be
> 'nasty' to them. Like put up a photo of a competitors product. Or
> even a 'complaint' about that product.
>
> Mike
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>
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Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 14:43:23 -0500 (EST)
From: Thom LaCosta <baltimoremd@baltimoremd.com>
To: Mark Schoonover <schoon@amgt.com>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139979] RE: It really frosts me....
Message-ID: <20021112144044.T95411-100000@unix1.vhost.min.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

On Tue, 12 Nov 2002, Mark Schoonover wrote:

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> you put out on the web and they simply link to it from their site, then just
> take it off the WWW. It's obvious your rights are more important to you,
> than simply sharing your information with the world.

I think you missed at least one of my points...and that is certain types
of links not only circumvent credit to the author/photographer/artist, but
also steal bandwidth.

But if your position is so important...please put up a web site with lots
of images that would be of interest to QRP folks....I'm sure you wouldn't
mind if I set up links that would never credit your site AND ate up your
band width

Thom

baltimoremd@baltimoremd.com
<http://www.baltimoremd.com/>
<http://www.baltimorehon.com/>
<http://www.zerobeat.net>
<http://www.tlchost.net>

Thom LaCosta K3HRN Webmaster
Baltimore's Home Page
Home of the Baltimore Lexicon
Home of The QRP Web Ring and DrakeList
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Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 13:36:45 -0600
From: "KD5NWA" <KD5NWA@mbayona.com>
To: <schoon@amgt.com>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139980] RE: It really frosts me....
Message-ID: <ODEHLGCFKOMOKMFFMBCLCEBDCCAA.KD5NWA@MBayona.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I wonder how many links to other sites the ones that are getting all riled up have on their sites to other Webb pages, and did they ask for permission? One wonders, yes we wonders...gollum.

Cecil, who writes Webb pages with shameless links to other pages.
KD5NWA

> -----Original Message-----
> From: owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU [mailto:owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU] On Behalf Of
> Mark Schoonover
> Sent: Tuesday, November 12, 2002 12:31 PM
> To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion
> Subject: RE: It really frosts me....
>
>
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> .mark
>
> > -----Original Message-----
> > From: Mike Yetsko [mailto:myetsko@insydesw.com]
> > Sent: Tuesday, November 12, 2002 9:33 AM
> > To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion
> > Subject: Re: It really frosts me....
> >
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Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 11:34:30 -0800
From: Bob Nielsen <nielsen@oz.net>
To: Mike Yetsko <myetsko@insydesw.com>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139981] Re: Soldering stations
Message-ID: <20021112193430.GB21846@bob.n7xy.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Disposition: inline

On Tue, Nov 12, 2002 at 07:06:30AM -0500, Mike Yetsko wrote:
> A pot in the base does not necessarily mean it's a temperature control
> station. I realize you can 'dial the heat' on the thing, but is the
> control
> in a temperature feedback loop or is it just a power control?

Agreed. What I meant was that it had a variable temperature control instead of the fixed-temperature tip like the WTCP. It uses a feedback loop with a temperature probe in the handle which fits inside the tip. Accuracy is specified at 9 deg. F (with some models of tip you need to apply an offset to the dial setting).

Weller apparently is replacing the WES50 with the WES51, which has a different plug configuration but is otherwise identical. When I bought

mine a few months ago, Active Electronics had the WES50 on sale (~\$100), so maybe that was a closeout price.

Bob, N7XY

>
> Mike
>
> > No, the WES50 is temperature controlled. It has a pot in the control
> > unit, however, instead of a thermostat in the tip. I believe Weller
> > does make a power control station, but don't recall the model number
> > (it's a bit cheaper).
> >
> > Bob
> >
> > On Mon, Nov 11, 2002 at 08:16:09PM -0500, Mike Yetzko wrote:
> > > I was just looking at a writeup on soldering stations and I have a
> > > question...
> > >
> > > The WES50... That's a power control station, as opposed to a
> > > temperature control station, right?
> > >
> > > Mike
>
>

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 11:51:14 -0700
From: Brian Kassel <K7RE@arrl.net>
To: enders@bolshoi.cc.misu.nodak.edu, qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [139982] RE: [139682] Code Speed & Contests...
Message-ID: <3DD14DA2.81C0A1DD@arrl.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Todd and Others:

Todd Said: "It would thus seem to me that one would want to set their speed such that they can work the vast majority of stations without needing to do fills for them. From what I saw last weekend, this figure is around 20 wpm. Of course, your mileage may vary. :-)
Opinions, anyone? :-)"

72/73,
Todd, AG0T

For stations low in the band, where the speedsters generally hang out, I use up to 30 WPM for the major contests, usually around 25 WPM on average. For Higher in the band, or QRP-only type of contests, I use around 20 WPM. There are many big time contesters who disagree, and I really respect their opinions.

By using a logging program that allows easy downward adjustment of the speed being sent, I can instantly drop my speed up to 10 or so WPM in less than a second. I always try to match the caller's speed, if he answers at a speed lower than about 3 WPM than mine.

It is a lot easier for many to crank up the speed control when sending an automatically generated CQ, than it is to actually learn to copy that increased speed.

Brian K7RE

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 11:57:03 -0800
From: Mark Schoonover <schoon@amgt.com>
To: "'Thom LaCosta'" <baltimoremd@baltimoremd.com>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion (E-mail)" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139983] RE: It really frosts me....
Message-ID: <BF889CEBEFD2D511B993009027F60ABE251A52@AG-JASMINE-NT4>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"

It's exactly that, it's not important to me what your bandwidth limitations are. Personally, I only go with places that have no limit on transmitted bandwidth.... If you do have a problem with things getting circumvented, that's your problem. You put up the information, so it's your responsibility to protect it. Plain and simple. You have bandwidth concerns, then fix it by taking your business elsewhere. Don't get upset at the world because someone is taking advantage of you - you're in control of what happens. Either way, if anyone simply links to the page proper, then you're going to transmit data. If they link to a photo within a page, you're still transmitting data.... There's no way for a webserver to know the difference because your browser make multiple connections to a webserver to retrieve all elements of your page. It can't tell if it's responding to a single request from some ding dong deep linking within your site, or Joe ham just reading your site...

.mark

> -----Original Message-----
> From: Thom LaCosta [mailto:baltimoremd@baltimoremd.com]

> Sent: Tuesday, November 12, 2002 11:43 AM
> To: Mark Schoonover
> Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion
> Subject: RE: It really frosts me....
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> baltimoremd@baltimoremd.com Thom LaCosta K3HRN Webmaster
> http://www.baltimoremd.com/ Baltimore's Home Page
> http://www.baltimorehon.com/ Home of the Baltimore Lexicon
> http://www.zerobeat.net Home of The QRP Web
> Ring and DrakeList
> http://www.tlchost.net Web Hosting as low as
> \$3.49/month
>
>

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 12:10:14 -0800
From: Elda & Doug Wilson <ewilson@nccn.net>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139984] Help, please OHR 100 A
Message-ID: <3DD16026.9050402@nccn.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii; format=flowed
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I recently purchased an OHR 100A rig via an ad. on this list.

There was no manual or info with the rig. Included was a power cord that had the end opposite the connector on the rig, cut off. I can't tell which wire should be +12 v.

The person that wired the rig did very nice work. It makes me wish I had a plexiglass lid. :-)

There is a Tick keyer in the rig that I have no Idea how to set up, change speed, etc.

Can someone help me with a Spec. sheet, a schematic and some comments to help me get started?

Thanks very much.

Doug., k 6 rpj ><>
Grass Valley, CA

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 15:16:43 -0000
From: "Walter Amos" <waltk8cvamosqrp@earthlink.net>
To: "Qrp-L Posts" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139985] Stolen pictures
Message-ID: <000101c28a8c\$d3364940\$c855d943@waltamos>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I have seen a couple of post on THEFT !! What is a guy / gal to do if you don't have a scanner ?

You STEAL , that's what you do !

Hey, I don't have a web sight or scanner and don't intend to ever have either , but I might want to sell some piece of JUNK on e-bay (never have, probably never will but you never know) and pictures seem to be the thing to do. If I was hungry in Florida and didn't have a 401K and they took away my medical and the stock market was falling and my SS check never came, what would I do? Why , I would go to the local store and STEAL food :-) I would get fed, YEP , either from the theft or in jail :-)

Walt Amos K8CV Royal Oak, MI.

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 15:22:17 EST
From: ARDUJENSKI@aol.com
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu, n6wg@earthlink.net
Subject: [139986] Re: ATU's and field antennas--matching
Message-ID: <14a.17498ba5.2b02bcf9@aol.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Bob

Thanks for the advice. I would guess that it would be prudent, even for a home antenna of an end-fed wire configuration (vertical, inverted-L, etc) to run calculations to see what would be a good compromise length for all bands to keep the impedance values below 800 ohms.

I would assume that feeding say the inverted-L with balanced line or feeding a random wire in a zepp type configuration and using a balun at the tuner you would also be able to ensure impedance values are within the range of the tuner.

Alan KB7MBI in Woodinville, WA
FISTS 5702 Proud member of ARRL

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Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 12:45:24 -0700 (MST)
From: "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>
To: "John J. McDonough" <wb8rcr@arrl.net>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139987] Re: It really frosts me.... but it should not

Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.44.0211121241480.1621-100000@Bucket.dog>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

Hi John, your not aware I guess but anything you put on a web page can be used by anyone who knows how to do it. So I just put it up and if I see anything from my web pages I smile and say "how about that?"

On Mon, 11 Nov 2002, John J. McDonough wrote:

> Last night I was grazing the QRP rigs on eBay (I keep thinking I'm gonna
> snag a HW-9), and I ran across a picture from my web site. Now, I found it
> pretty annoying that someone would steal my work, but even more annoying
> that it was a dealer.

--

- Karl Larsen k5di Las Cruces,NM Az ScQRPions -

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 15:26:58 -0000
From: "Walter Amos" <waltk8cvamosqrp@earthlink.net>
To: <gm0nwiqrp@btopenworld.com>
Subject: [139988] Re: FT100 VFO KNOB
Message-ID: <000301c28a8c\$d4320e60\$c855d943@waltamos>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="Windows-1252"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Andy:

Amos here !

I don't think it is worth it and didn't do it. It is the FT-100 knob and you communicate with YAESU parts department and they will know what you want. Just ask for the K-2 knob :-)) I just put a vegetable rubber band around my original K-2 knob. Cost NOTHING and works just great. Here in the COLONIES they use them around broccoli to hold the bunches together in the SUPER MARKETS ! You MUST have something like that in the old country ? They don't slip and I have them on a lot of knobs around here. Even work on an old Drake R-4 of all things. COOL !!

Walt Amos K8CV Royal Oak, MI.

----- Original Message -----

From: "Andy GM0NWI" <gm0nwiqrp@btopenworld.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Tuesday, November 12, 2002 04:54
Subject: FT100 VFO KNOB

> Guy's....
>
> Andy GM0NWI,in Stirling, Scotland here.....
>
> " It's good to be back...." as they say,.....here on the QRP-L.....
>
> I've been "temporarily QRT..."....due to an illness that I had for the
last
> year.....I didn't manage to "sign-off" the list, with the old e-mail
> address....so if some of you guy's have been tryin' to contact
me...sorry...
>
> I have been "laid up in bed...." for the last year with a "pressure sore"
on
> my "derier"....!!! Part 'n' Parcel with being confined to a wheelchair for
> mobility I'm afraid.....but I'm "on the mend" now, getting to play with
> last year's Xmas present my Toshiba Laptop....
>
> What I want to know from y'all is.....I saw somewhere, the last time I
> was on the list, that if you had a "K2", some of the guy's had changed
there
> "VFO Dial" for either an FT100 or an FT900 dial, and I was wondering could
> someone hopefully tell me how I go about getting a "Complete FT100 Dial
> Assembly"....(if that's what I need...?) for fitting to my as yet unbuilt
> (fully-loadedK2)....
>
> Obviously I am here in GM-land and you guy's are over there in the US and
> (elsewhere)....but if anyone can help me with the info getting one either
in
> the US or if they know of the info needed for the UK...please let me
> know....
>
> It's great to be back.....I missed y'all
>
> Answers on a postcard to the e-mail address below.....
>
> 72's & 73's de gm0nwiqrp@btopenworld.com
> Andy

> GMONWI
> " It is vain to do with more.... " A
> Dis-Orientated Kiwi...."
>
> what can be done with less...." In The Northern
> Hemisphere...."
>

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 21:43:37 +0000
From: Larry Cahoon <lejek@erols.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139989] Re: It really frosts me....
Message-ID: <5.1.0.14.0.20021112213401.02dd01f8@pop.erols.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

At 12:11 PM 11/12/2002 -0500, Haines Brown wrote:

>I
>The obvious course of action would have been to contact the
>appropriator and to ask that the link be removed. If that step was not
>taken, or if the request was ignored, then the copyright holder has a
>right to be upset. But otherwise, his pillory of the offender makes
>the two parties morally, although not legally, equivalent.

eBay, for all its weakness does have a policy and a method for addressing
these issues. I don't know how much follow up they do, but check out

<http://pages.ebay.com/help/community/png-text-and-images.html>

for their rules. Then check

<http://pages.ebay.com/help/basics/select-RS.html>

for a form to file a complaint about the problem.

You can also email the poster and ask them to remove the image.

eBay also has a feedback system. If you posted something there on the guy
using images without permission at least some of his potential bidders
might not like it. eBay has that system in place to evaluate sellers and
buyers - so you can at least try it.

73 de Larry.....WD3P
<http://www.wd3p.net/>

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 16:52:09 -0500
From: "Bill, N4QA" <n4qa@hotmail.com>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Cc: k4vib@att.net
Subject: [139990] Re: SW30+ Question
Message-ID: <F177VT1o97V34wgh83E00001229@hotmail.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; format=flowed

KB9BVN tells me that the rf transformer...T4 in the SW30+ final...has ten turns in the primary and one turn in the secondary.
Sorry if I misled anyone and thanks to KB9BVN for the correction.

73.
Bill, N4QA
<http://www.qsl.net/n4qa/>

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<http://join.msn.com/?page=features/virus>

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 17:16:04 -0500
From: W2AGN <w2agn@w2agn.net>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139991] December QST
Message-ID: <3DD13754.12132.F85ED6@localhost>
MIME-version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT
Content-description: Mail message body

Just got the last QST to contain Section News, etc. Going to keep this issue pristine, as it may be a collector's item.

Neat QRP transceiver article.

Typically excellent QRP Column.

FD Results...they screwed up my W2DWC Entry in Class 1A-Battery. Got the call wrong, as W2WDC, and left off the E.L. Sielke Memorial Club name. Score 3,800, 360 QSOs. 13th in category, and was actually 1 op, not 3 as they listed. (Had quite a discussion with Dan Henderson about that!)

Not sure when they hired Wayne Green. first it was the "Diamond Club" for donations, now I see they have a "Legacy Circle" for those who want to make a bequest to the ARRL in their will. Next I imagine they will start selling "Collector Knives" or "Genuine Wouff Hong replicas." Sure looks like Wayne's work.

Oh well, I'm paid up until 2010. By then dues will be up to \$100/year.

+---+---+---+---+ John L. Sielke
|W||2||A||G||N| http://www.w2agn.net [UPDATED]
+---+---+---+---+ Ex-K3HLU,TF2WKT,W7JEF,W4MPC,N4JS

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 17:27:16 -0500
From: "Richard Brummer, K2JQ" <k2jq@rcn.com>
To: <waltk8cvamosqrp@earthlink.net>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139992] Re: Stolen pictures
Message-ID: <03ca01c28a9a\$a7e69b60\$6501a8c0@cable.rcn.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

That's a bunch of baloney, Walt.

You can take photos of equipment in your shack and have the m processed.
For a few extra bucks, you can get those shots on a CD, or a floppy disk.
To the best of my knowledge, you can upload what you want to ebay.

And, guess what ? Shop around in some of the photography magazines, and you can even get 12-exposure rolls of film !

Don't need a scanner, and don't need to steal, either !

73

Dick K2JQ

----- Original Message -----

From: "Walter Amos" <waltk8cvamosqrp@earthlink.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>

Sent: Tuesday, November 12, 2002 10:16 AM
Subject: Stolen pictures

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> don't have a scanner ?
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Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 21:47:53 -0000
From: "Andy GM0NWI" <gm0nwiqrp@btopenworld.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139993] YAESU, TRI0, KENWOOD, ICOM INFO SHEETS.....CIRCA 1980's early
90's
Message-ID: <007701c28a95\$43c55040\$055bfea9@GM0NWI LAPTOP>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi Guy's.....

A'll tell ya...

Gettin' back on this list.....was the best thing I've done all year....

Already gettin' help on gettin' hold of a FT100 "Knob Assembly Kit" for my
"K2....(Big Thanks to....Don Foster K5KW)...for ALL his help on this
one.....

Had several answers to the "K2 Signal Meter" LED quiere, of last
night.....possibly NOT a good idea to try and change the colors then...??
Although someone might still have an idea ...(all things being possible as
they say.....)

So I wonder if anyone can help with this one.....

You remember years ago,(mainly in the 80's here in the UK...) when we
would go into our local "Ham Emporium..." there would be A4 size color
information "brochures" on the rigs of the day....these sheets were mainly
free, for our perousal....

Wonder....Does anyone have any for the following rigs.....I have tried to
get some from local hams, but we being scotman mainly....these things tend

to be discarded....after we have obtained the info needed from them....to await the next thing to be destroyed...!!! (As is the "want" of the scottish nature...or so we would be led to be beleived in history).....I can't myself vouch for that as I was "made in New Zealand....1966) But I have all this on good authority....

The info sheets I would like to obtain are :-

YEASU FT102 (HF)
YAESU FT5100 (2M/70CM DUAL BANDER)
YAESU FT23R (2M HANDHELD)
ICOM 706 (MK1) (HF)
ICOM 735 (HF)
TEN TEC ARGOSY 2 (HF)
TRIO 231E (2M FM)
KENWOOD R2000 (RX)
TRIO 9130 (2M MULTIMODE)

If anyone can help with this.....and I have great faith in this list to "deliver" as usual....

Answers on a postcard to the e-mail address below.....

72's & 73's de gm0nwiqrp@btopenworld.com

Andy

GM0NWI

" It is vain to do with more....

" A

Dis-Orientated Kiwi...."

what can be done with less...."
Northern Hemisphere...."

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Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 13:29:59 -0800
From: Bob Nielsen <nielsen@oz.net>
To: Mike Yetsko <myetsko@insydesw.com>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139994] Re: Soldering stations
Message-ID: <20021112212959.GA22967@bob.n7xy.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Disposition: inline

On Tue, Nov 12, 2002 at 01:18:39PM -0500, Mike Yetsko wrote:

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> > No, the WES50 is temperature controlled. It has a pot in the control
> > unit, however, instead of a thermostat in the tip. I believe Weller
> > does make a power control station, but don't recall the model number
> > (it's a bit cheaper).
> >
> > Bob
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> I think you're referring to the WLC100. Yep, I know that one is just a
> power pot. But I'm still wondering how 'good' the WES50 is, and
> why it would be so much cheaper than the WTCPT

It isn't cheaper. When I bought mine, it was on sale and the "regular" price was a bit higher than the WTCPT.

I just checked www.future-active.com and that site shows:

WTCPT \$93.548

WES50 \$95.160

The WLC100 is cheaper, \$52.094

Hmm, why do they show tenths of a cent on single-quantity prices? These prices are lower than they were at the Active store in Bellevue, WA.

As to how good it is, I haven't actually used it yet (and I have a K2 still sitting in the box, so I have plans to put it to good use soon).

73,
Bob N7XY

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 13:06:34 -0800 (PST)
From: Bill ROWLETT <kc4atu@yahoo.com>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [139995] QRP Quarterly
Message-ID: <20021112210634.32023.qmail@web14206.mail.yahoo.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

October hit the mail box today and it looks like a keeper. Thanks to all.

73, Bill kc4atu

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Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 16:19:40 -0500
From: Rob Matherly <w0jrm@arrl.net>
To: fpqrp-l@fpqrp.com, soc@mailman.qth.net, qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [139996] Anudder Beeper
Message-ID: <200211122221.gACMLrc1029171@mail.iowasocan.com>
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 8bit

Got a beeper around 14.044... wonder whose cat decided to take a nap on their bug? :^)

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Rob Matherly - Plano, Iowa - EN30ls  
http://www.qsl.net/w0jrm  
AIM-w0jrm; ICQ-114690148; Y!-w0jrm  
ARRL -- FPqrp -330 -- IA QRP #143  
SOC #497 -- QRPP-I #19
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Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 17:46:15 -0500
From: Paul Womble <pwomble1@tampabay.rr.com>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139997] Re: December QST
Message-ID: <3DD184B7.9D76390@tampabay.rr.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Planned giving is a very important part of any non-profit organization's fund raising plan.

I work for a non-profit and we have been saved the last three years by legacies and bequests. Many different economic factors over the last couple of years have caused donors to decrease their contributions.

Paul K4FB

W2AGN wrote:

> first it was the "Diamond Club" for
> donations, now I see they have a "Legacy Circle" for those who want to
> make a bequest to the ARRL in their will.

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 18:18:48 -0500
From: Michael Babineau <michael.babineau@sympatico.ca>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [139998] Re: SS Sections-NWT??
Message-ID: <18F4810F-F695-11D6-ABFA-00039309268A@sympatico.ca>
Mime-Version: 1.0 (Apple Message framework v546)
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII; format=flowed
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

The NWT section also includes Nunavut.

For those of you who aren't up on Canadian politics, NWT was split in
two
a few years ago with the Eastern half being renamed to Nunavut which is
an
Inuktitut word meaning "our land".

Michael VE3WMB

P.S. Checkout <http://www.gov.nu.ca/Nunavut/index.shtml> for more details
on
Nunavut.

Date: Tue, 12 Nov 2002 18:27:44 -0500
From: "Larry Makoski" <Makos327@worldnet.att.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [139999] Re: Is Learning Slow Always Bad? (Was Re: CW Practice Ideas)
Message-ID: <001701c28aa3\$1cfd2650\$175b590c@Makoski>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Dave, AG4PJ wrote:

>Folks,

>This brings up a question I've had for some time.

>While what Ray says below is undoubtedly true (I
>learned at 5 wpm and am now trying to retrain myself
>using his excellent practice program - thanks, Ray!),
>what about the opposite case? I've heard comments in
>the past from hi-speed CW ops that they have a hard
>time following very slow code, presumably because they
>have gotten used to hearing the characters as
>characters instead of as dits and dahs. But could it
>be true that a beginner learning the "right" way (at
>character speeds of, say, 20wpm) might then have
>trouble passing the 5 wpm test because the characters
>are sent so much more slowly?

>Just curious, and wondering if anyone might have
>experienced this. Or did we all learn the "wrong" way,
>pass the test, and then have to be retrained? :^)

Dave,

I have noticed this. I am no speed demon on CW; my comfortable copying range is from 20 - 25 WPM depending on band conditions and QRM. Sometimes a lot slower when I get tired and my brain cramps up! But I noticed that I have trouble at the REAL slower speeds because I am no longer listening for the dots and dashes, per se, I am now listening for sounds of the complete character. And I have found that in conversations, when someone tries to emulate CW by saying the words "dit" and "dah" that I am totally lost! Same with messages that have stuff like -.-. --- -.. . .. -.-. --. -. I just typed that but have a heck of a time decoding it any more! It seems once you break that barrier, and you are able to copy complete characters AS characters, that it is very difficult to go back to the old way.

That's why I always recommend the Farnsworth method of learning code. Get those characters sent at at least 13 wpm even though a person might only be able to copy at a rate of 5 words per minute. The faster one learns the character sounds, the faster one will progress with speed.

But the ARRL VE tapes use the Farnsworth method anyway, if I remember correctly. They send the words at 13wpm but stretch out the spacing between letters so that the rate is only 5 wpm. Maybe that's changed, it's been about

a year and a half since I have been able to make a VE session!

73 de Larry W2LJ
#4488

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W2LJ@arrl.net

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